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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated July 16, 2002, please consider the following remarks.

Remarks

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the following remarks. For the reasons set forth below, Applicant respectfully submits that the claimed invention is allowable over the cited references.

The Office Action dated July 16, 2002, indicated that claims 18-27 stand rejected under §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Jeng et al.* (U.S. Pat. No. 5,710,073) in view of *Bartholomew et al.* (U.S. Pat. No. 6,143,080).

With respect to claims 28-30, Applicant submits that the claims are in condition for allowance. According to the Office Action summary sheet, and in agreement with Applicant's understanding, claims 18-30 are pending. As the Office Action makes no